



# Is Pay for Performance Performing?

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# Agenda



## 1) Overcoming Energy Efficiency Challenges with P4P (10 mins)

*Jonathan Budner, Franklin Energy*

## 2) Revolutionizing Energy Efficiency Programs with P4P (10 mins)

*Carmen Best, Recurve*

## 3) Lessons learned from existing P4P programs (20 mins)

*Julia Szinai, University of California, Berkeley*

*Patti Boyd, DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DCSEU)*

*Zoe Dawson, Vermont Energy Investment Corporation (VEIC)*

## 4) P4P program evaluation requirements (10 mins)

*Sarah Caster, Energy Trust*

## 5) Conclusions (5 mins)

*Giselle Procaccianti, NEEP*

# Questions?



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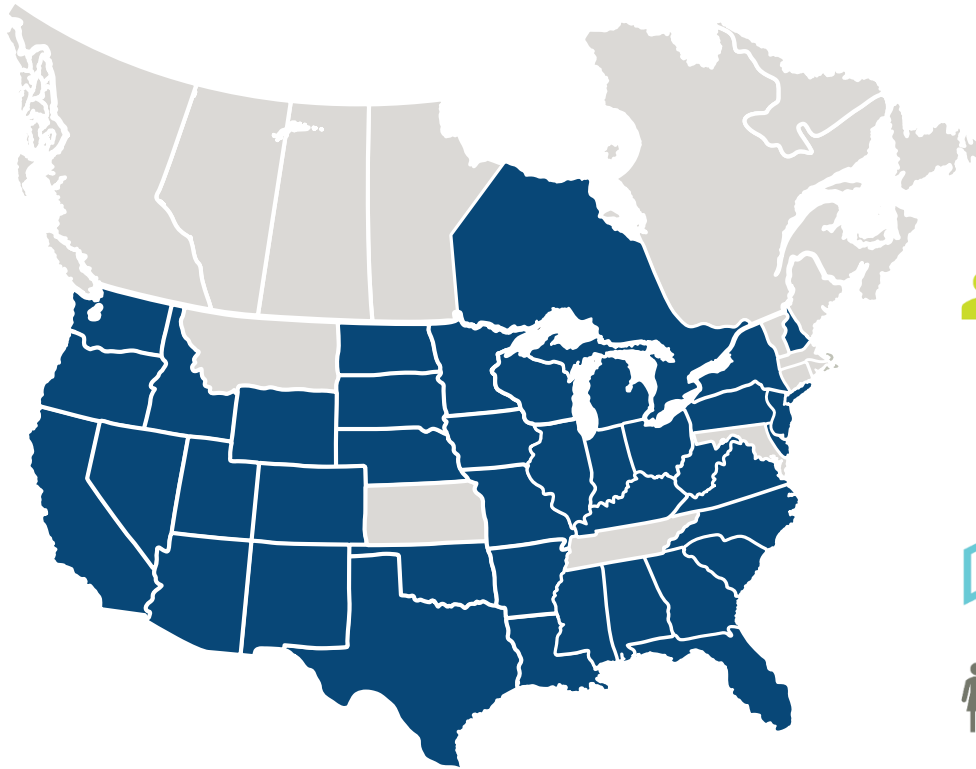




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# The Franklin Energy Story



150+ utility clients



500+ utility programs



63 offices across  
US and Canada



1,200+ employees





### Qualification

*Because Franklin takes the financial risk, program is limited to **high-potential customers**, as measured by AMI data from previous 12 months, based on shoulder to peak season, among other metrics*



### NMEC

*Normalized Metered Energy Consumption (NMEC) generates weather-adjusted energy usage from YoY against this **actual energy performance**. Implementers gets paid per peak/off-peak BTU.*



### Sector

*Single-family, detached homes with no solar, no EVs, and **no other program participation** in previous 12 months or future 12 months.*



### Comprehensive

*Scope is from LEDs/aerators to full HVAC system replacement. The greater the percentage of HVAC upgrades the more valuable to the utility and to Franklin*



# The P4P Challenge

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**We have conditioned customers for 40 years to expect rebates up front for EE equipment. Will customers:**

- 1. Care about their energy for the next 12 months?**
- 2. Be motivated by payments over time?**

- P4P Program Implementers  
60% of California Investor-Owned Utility EE Programs

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# Challenges

## Cool Savers



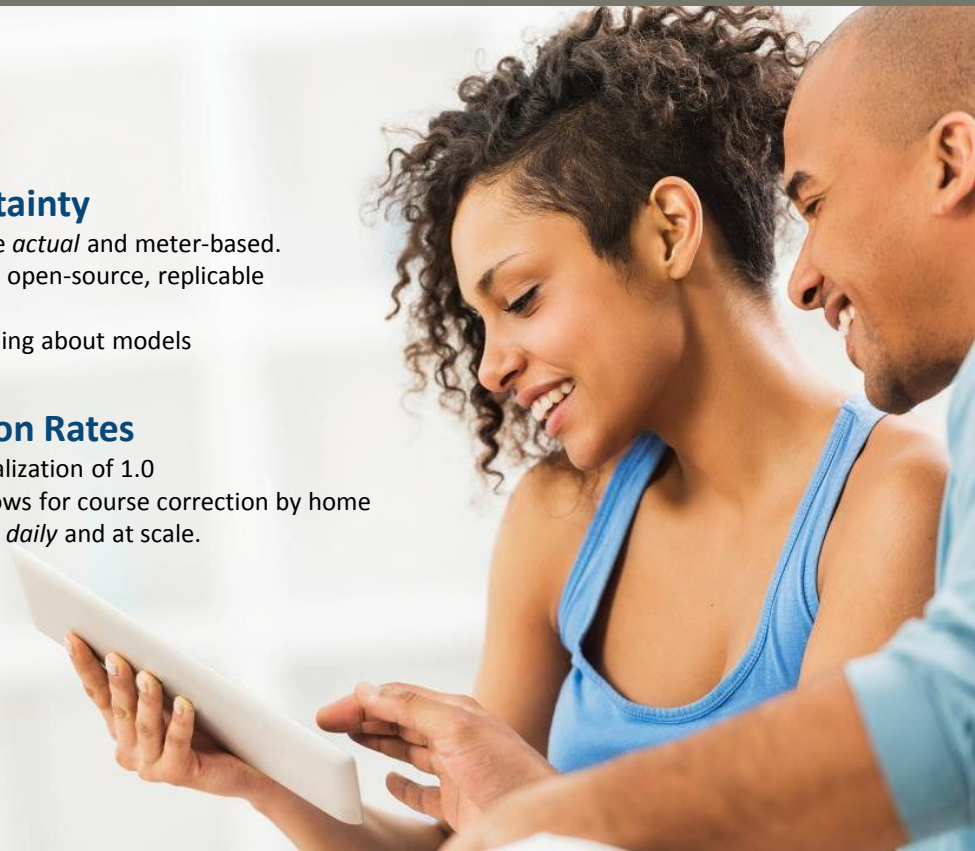
### Savings Uncertainty

- All savings are *actual* and meter-based.
- Standardized, open-source, replicable protocol
- No more arguing about models



### Poor Realization Rates

- NMEC has realization of 1.0
- Daily AMI allows for course correction by home
- EM&V can be *daily* and at scale.



## Challenges



### Challenge: Grid Impacts

- NMEC saving *are* grid savings
- Can be reported as frequently as AMI and processing allow
- Can be reported by location and time



### Draining Rebate Budget

- Pay Implementers for NMEC savings
- Paces spend over 12 months, or per contract
- Put risk on the implementers.



### Lessons Learned

- ✓ Manage financial risk to implementer
- ✓ For cash flow, utility payment terms are critical
- ✓ NMEC requires technical partner for savings calculation and population analysis
- ✓ Higher risks *should* mean higher returns
- ✓ Utility's GreenButton systems were not designed for this volume
- ✓ Uncertainty versus future growth





Thank you!





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# Performance as a Resource

Pathways to Scale

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## CALTRACK

- Standard M&V Calculation Methods
- Monthly, Daily, and Hourly
- Public Stakeholders Empirical Process
- [www.CalTRACK.org](http://www.CalTRACK.org)



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## OPENEEMETER

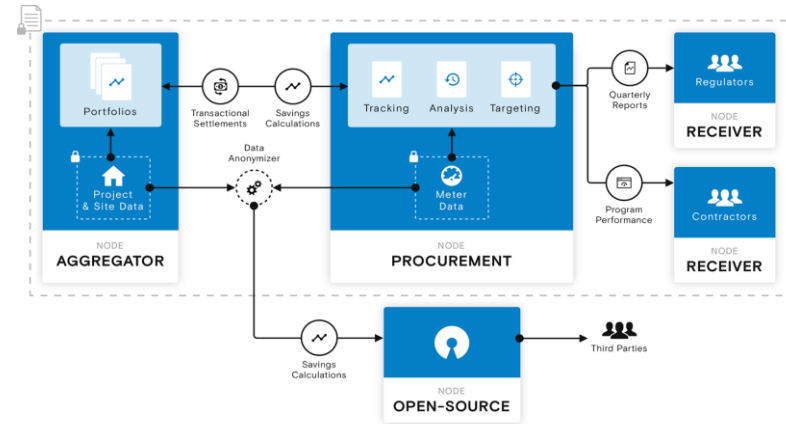
- Python CalTRACK Engine
- Open Source [Apache 2.0](https://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0)
- How It Works: <https://goo.gl/mhny2s>
- Code Repo: <https://goo.gl/qFdW4P>

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# Recurve SaaS Platform

- Telemetry, Targeting, and Analytics
- CalTRACK Compliant
- SaaS “OpenEEmeter Inside”
- Data Pipeline (ETL)
- Secure, Encrypted, and Scalable

## Distributed Nodes



# Meter-Based Pay-for-Performance

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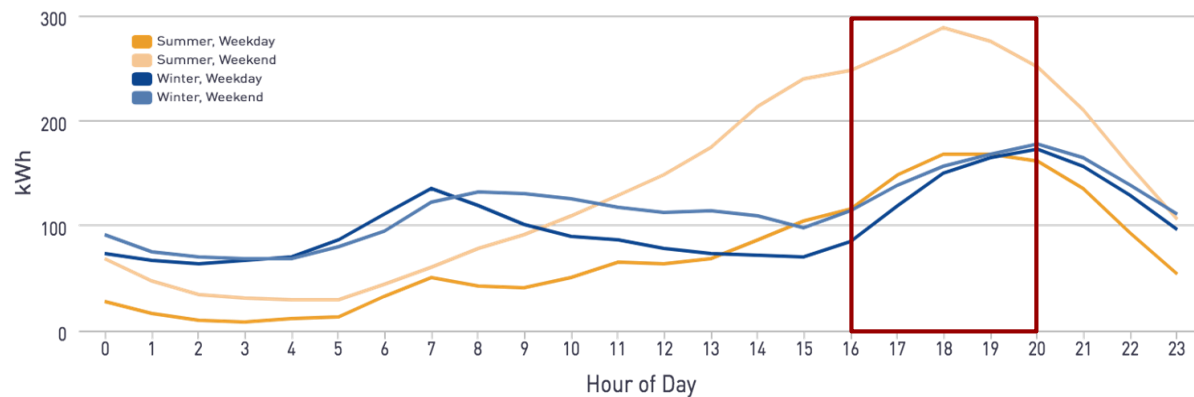
# What is Meter-based Pay-for-Performance?

- Whole building analysis at customer meter
- Hourly interval meter data enables time valuation
- Aggregated portfolio savings are the basis of payment not individual buildings
- Performance settlement is between administrators and aggregators not direct settlement with customers

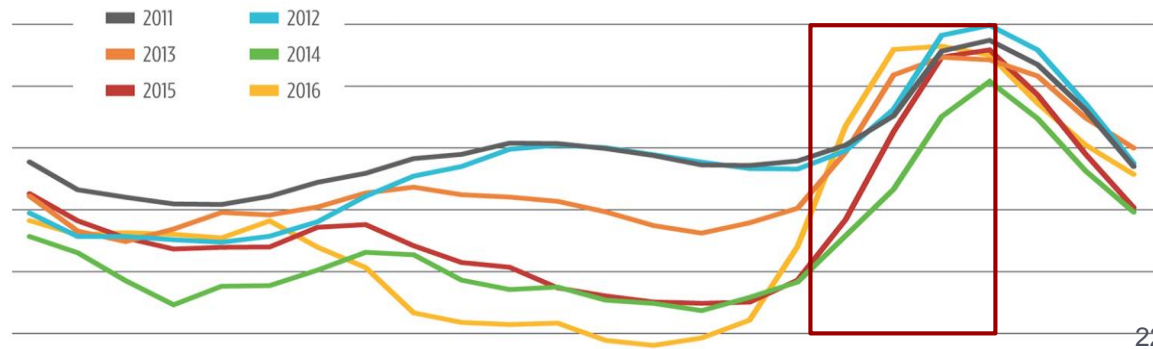
# Sending the Right Price Signal

## Resource Curve

Resource Curve by Season and Weekend/Weekday



## Duck Curve



# Track Carbon Reductions Hourly

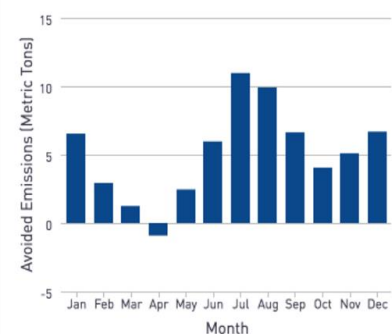
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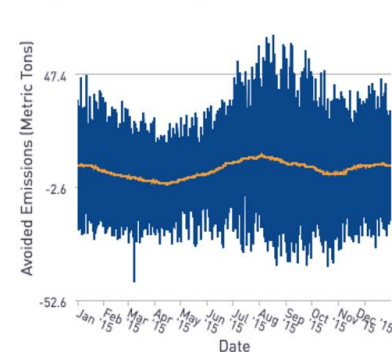
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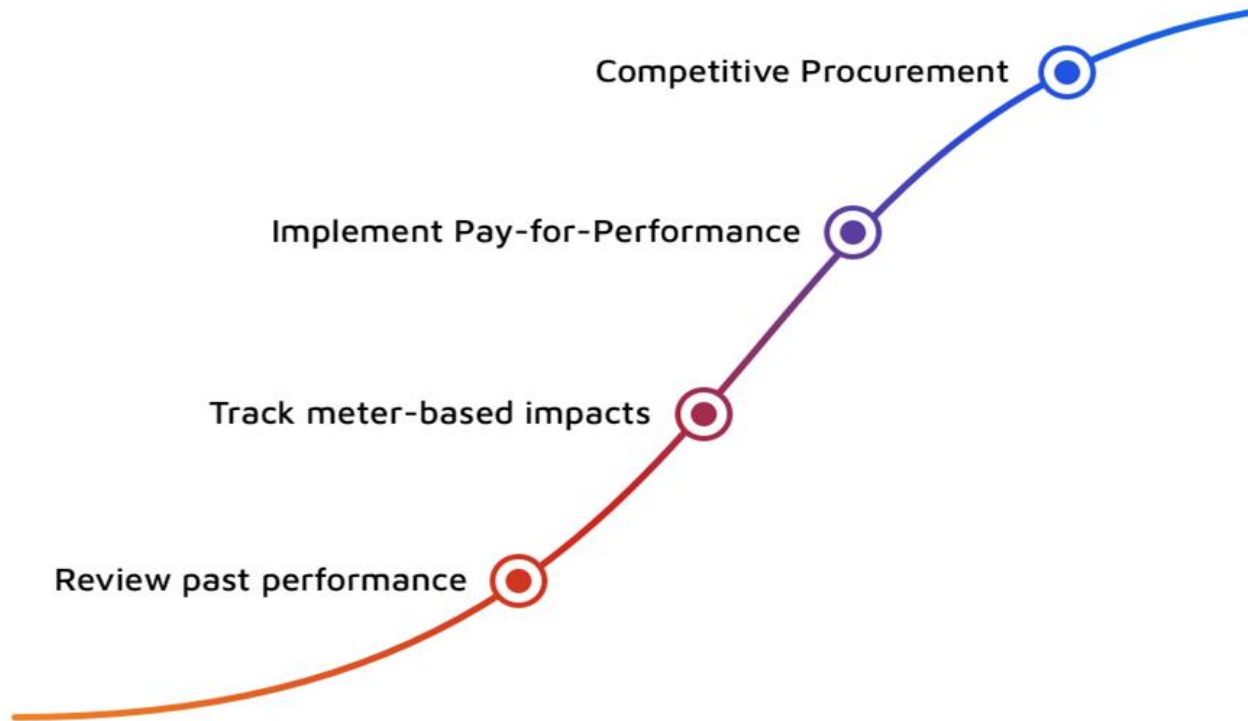
Avoided GHG Emissions By Month (Metric Tons)



Hourly Avoided GHG [Drag to Zoom]



# A Path to Scaling Efficiency



# Pathways to Meter-Based Pay-for-Performance

# Three Generic Categories of Adoption

## Market Focus

Large scale pilot with focus on market development

**New York:** *Business Energy Pro, a Pay-for-Performance initiative*

Executive direction for grid level improvements, coupled with State Authority leadership

## Scaled Pilots & 3P

Large scale pilots and third-party procurements

**California:** *Pacific Gas & Electric Residential Pay-for-Performance, and Third-party Solicitations*

Legislation, regulatory authorization, and utility administrator leadership

## Contractor Focus

Step-wise testing with contractors delivering existing programs

**Oregon:** *Energy Trust Pay-for-Performance Pilot*

Third-party administrator initiative coupled with Governors executive order



## Table 2. Similarities and Difference in Establishing Pay for Performance

	<b>New York:</b> NYSERDA/ConEd Business Energy Pro	<b>California:</b> Pacific Gas & Electric Residential	<b>Oregon:</b> Energy Trust Pay for Performance Pilot
Automated M&V platform for performance payment	✓	✓	✓
Offer solicitations for market vendors to propose new program designs	✓	✓	O
Offer existing program vendors modification to payment structure	O	O	✓
Market outreach to shape program design	✓ (public input)	O	✓ (current contractors)
Rules and guidelines established at the program/initiative level	✓	✓	✓
Regulatory rules and guidelines	O	✓	O

# Early Lessons Learned

## Market Focus

- Coordination required
- Data standards
- Limits of tools and models
- Input from market actors is critical
- Test to create broad learnings to enable utility adoption at scale

## Scaled Pilots & 3P

- Diversity and creativity
- Implementer business models are shifting
- Impact analysis enables adaptation
- Embedded M&V adopted w/ or w/o P4P
- Savings claims still pending guidance

## Contractor Focus

- Familiarity with M&V tools is the focus
- Incremental adjustment allows for discrete questions
- Reconciliation of methods
- Stress points to applying meter-based methods at scale

# Staged Creation of Market Environment

## Step 1

Get legislative, regulatory, or utility to **commit to pay-for-performance, via meter-based savings**, as central to achieving goals.

## Step 2

Designate an agency or entity to **deploy staged pilots at scale** to build market experience and work through enabling rules / infrastructure.

## Step 3

Adopt **open & transparent, meter-based measurement & verification methods** such as CalTRACK to set consistent expectations for measuring performance.

## Step 4

Issue **solicitations for meter-based pay-for-performance as a primary path** for capturing changes in consumption, & track performance.

## Step 5

Leverage insights and intelligence gained in the process and from others to **initiate, iterate and improve.**

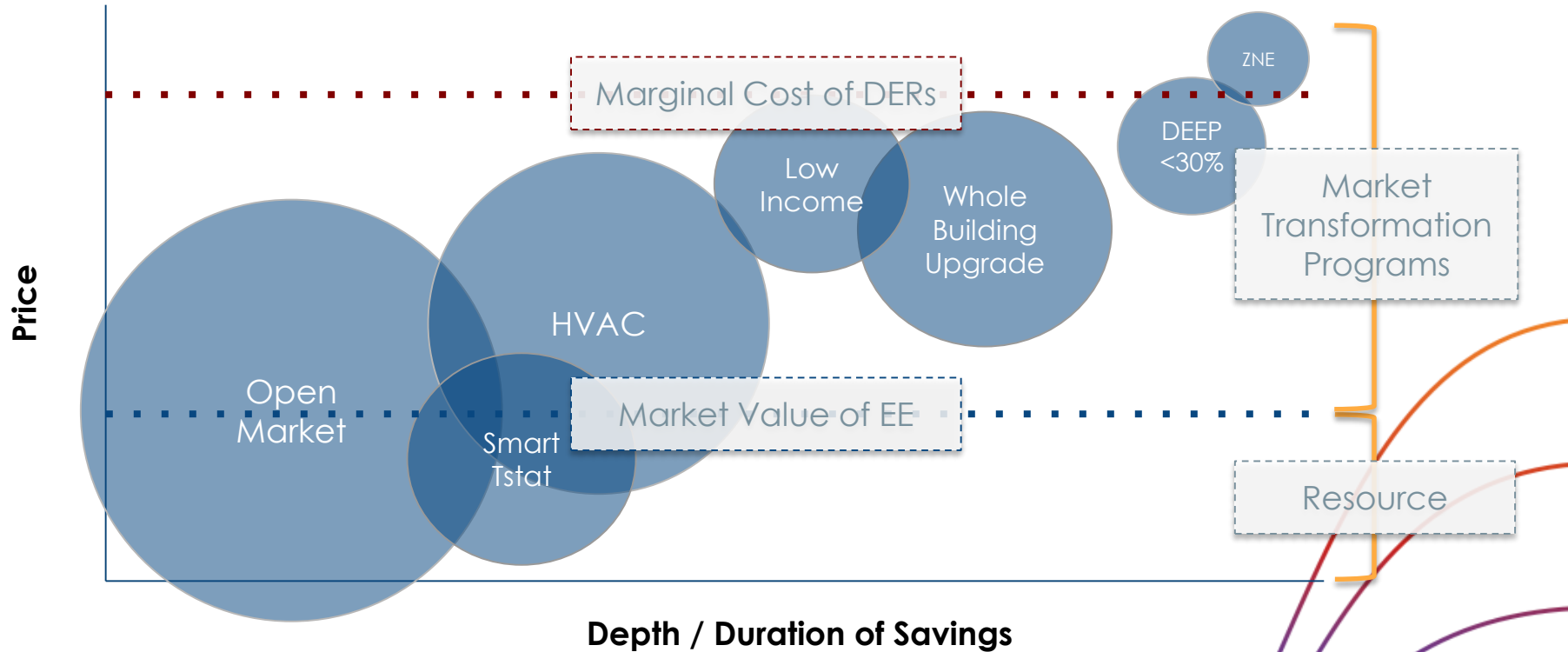
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- Market Engagement
- Education & Communication
- Practice through pilots
- Incremental Testing
- Robust evaluation measurement & verification approaches

# P4P Flexibility: Program Design => Market Design





# Questions?

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# Appendix: Performance Program Case Studies

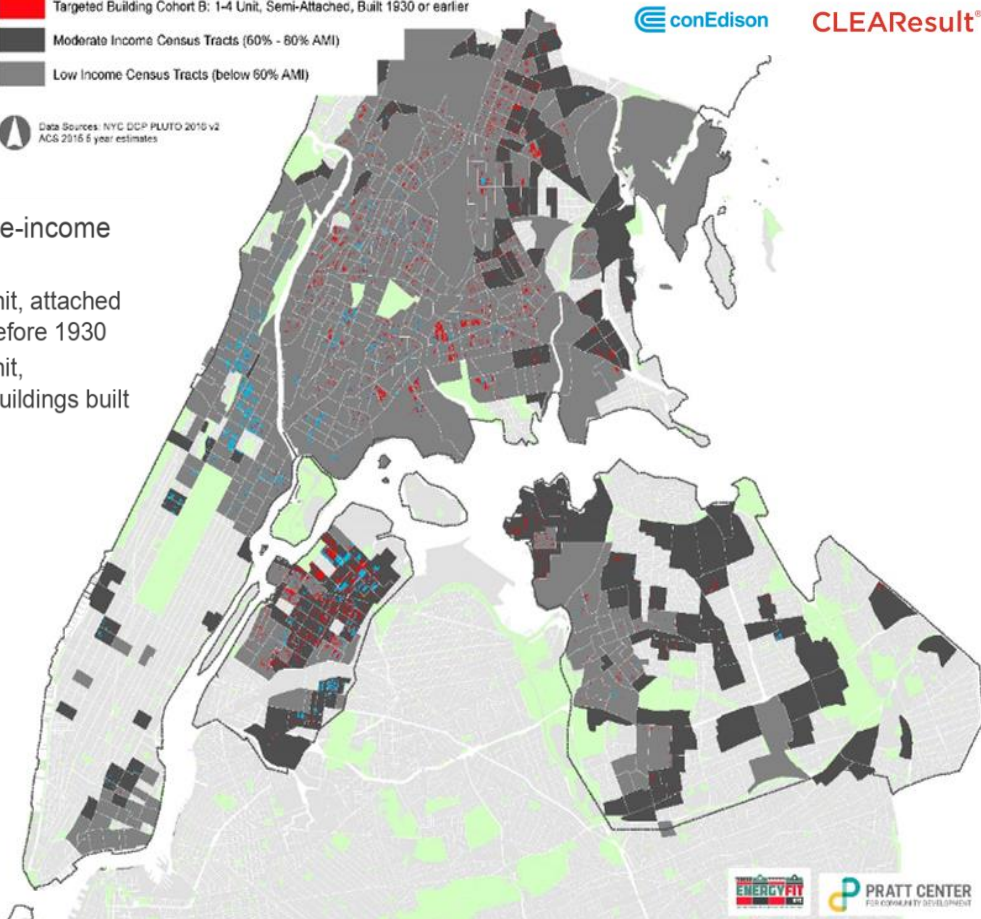
# Con Edison EnergyFit LMI P4P Rev Demo



## EnergyFit NYC Demonstration: Targeted Building Cohorts NYC ConEdison Gas Territory

- ConEdison Gas Territory
- Targeted Building Cohort A: 1-4 Unit, Attached, Built 1930 or earlier
- Targeted Building Cohort B: 1-4 Unit, Semi-Attached, Built 1930 or earlier
- Moderate Income Census Tracts (60% - 80% AMI)
- Low Income Census Tracts (below 60% AMI)

Data Sources: NYC DOCP PLUTO 2010 v2  
ACS 2010 5 year estimates



Low- and moderate-income residents living in:

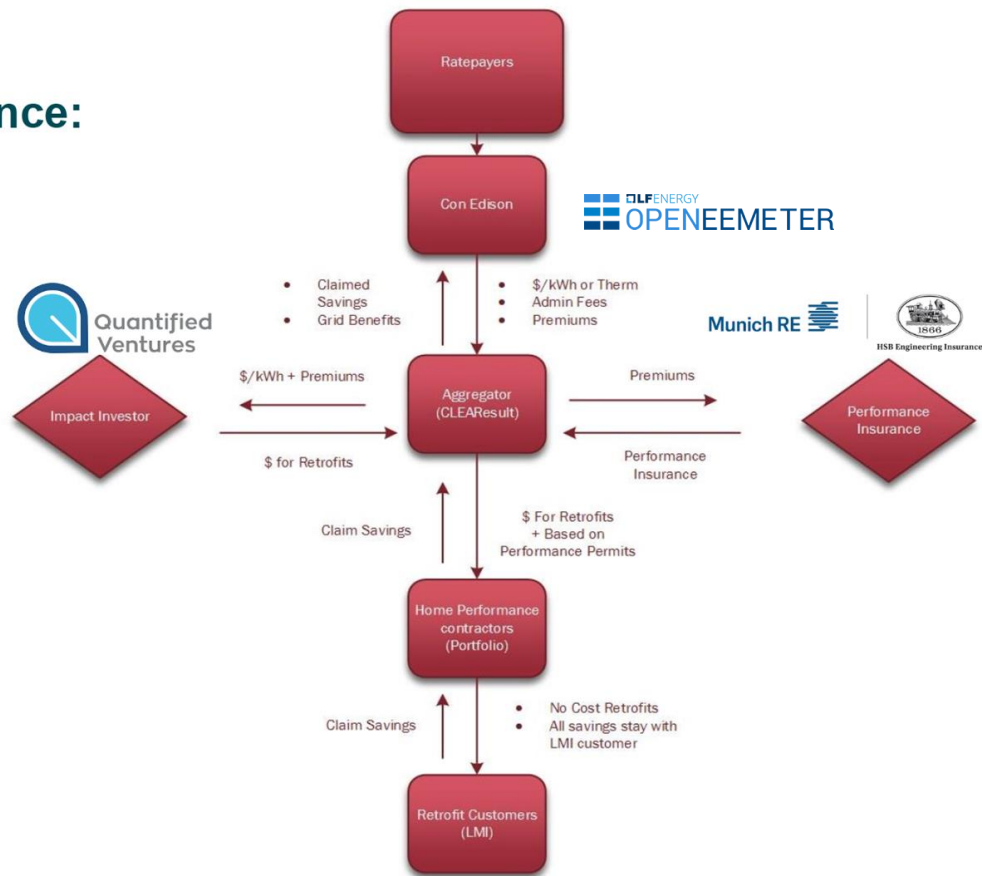
- Group A: 1-4 unit, attached buildings built before 1930
- Group B: 1-4 unit, semi-attached buildings built before 1930



# Con Edison EnergyFit LMI P4P Rev Demo

## Project Finance:

The long-term financing of projects based upon projected cash flows rather than the balance sheets of its sponsors.



## CASE STUDY

# PG&E P4P: Residential

- Performance payments made monthly based on OpenEEmeter running CalTRACK 2.0
- Four (4) Aggregators with varied business models
- \$25M total payments based on kWh & Resource Curve (time based savings)

Unparalleled flexibility to pursue a range of improvements and activities over time to achieve residents' savings goals

### Retrofit

- Whole House
- HVAC
- Lighting
- Outdoor/Pool Deck

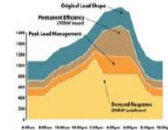
### Operational

- Smart Thermostats
- Home Energy Management Systems
- Smart Appliances

### Behavioral

- Homeowner Incentives
- Demand Response
- Other specially designed programs

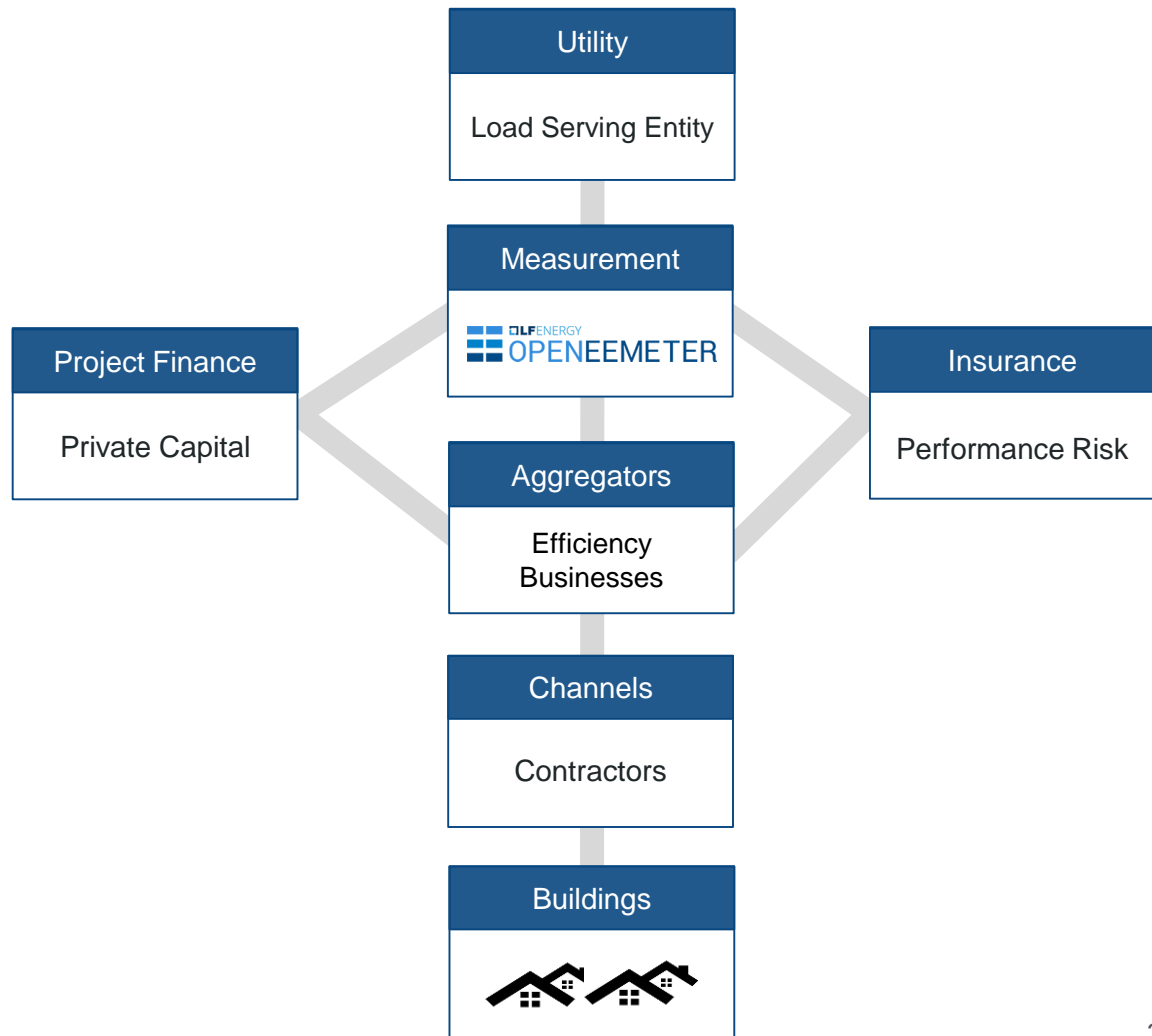
#### Energy Performance Contracting



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# Energy Efficiency in California Is Moving to 3rd Party Programs



## 4 – Grid Resource (3 of 3)

- In addition, to better align the benefits of the EE portfolio with the dynamic operations of the grid and position EE programs to be a significant contributor to the emerging Distributed Energy Resources (“DER”) market, PG&E is requesting Grid Resource program designs that:
  - Are informed by data that reflects the needs of the grid which varies by the time of day, the time of year, and geographic location on the grid
  - Can target the right customers with the right measures at the right time and the right location

### Geographic Alignment



### Delivery Window

- Savings Delivery Windows – programs that are able to align energy savings to the unique delivery window for each DPR are preferred. Bidders should utilize this data to build an effective program design (i.e. within a defined planning region, target the appropriate customers with the appropriate measures to deliver savings within the savings delivery window specified for that planning region).

### Meter-Based

- Preference for programs that utilize AMI customer data to support near real-time M&V (“M&V 2.0”) and deliver verified energy savings and/or capacity that can be substantiated to a specific time and geographic location.

DPR Energy Savings Delivery Windows																							
Bay Area Region																							
Central Coast Region																							
Central Valley Region																							
Northern Region																							
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# Putting Your Money Where Your Meter Is

A Study of Pay-for-Performance Energy  
Efficiency Programs in the U.S.

Julia Szinai, UC Berkeley



Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships, P4P Webinar  
October 11, 2019



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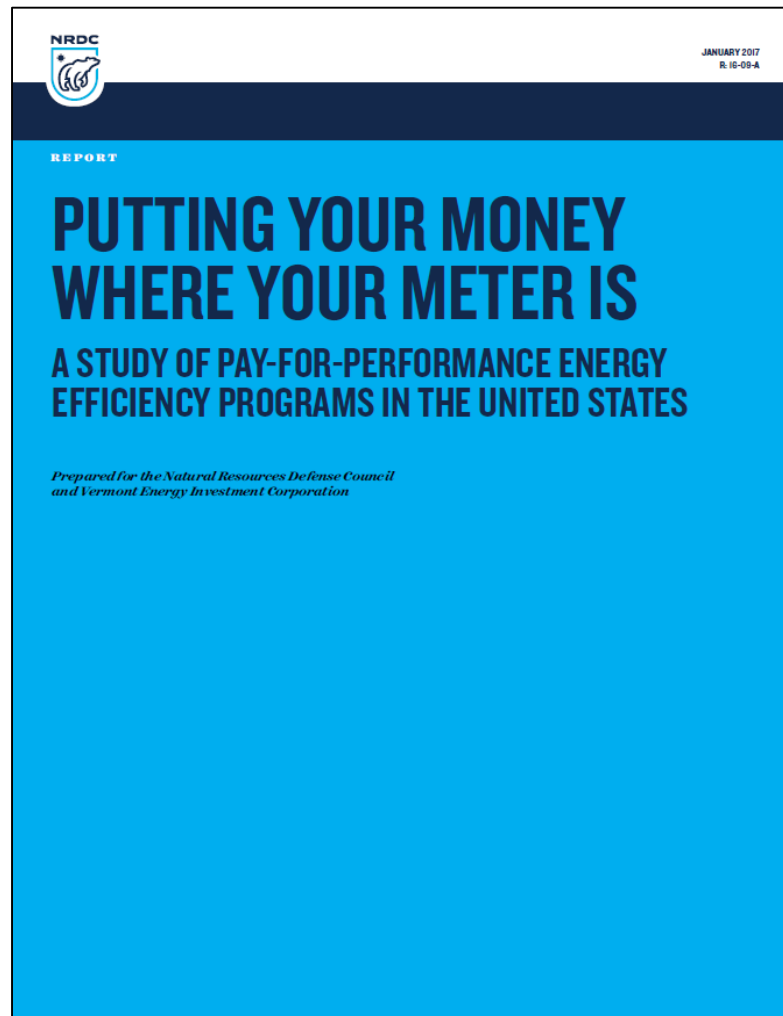


# Agenda

- Overview of P4P program features
- Lessons learned and recommendations from P4P case studies

Download the Issue Brief and Report here:

<https://www.nrdc.org/resources/putting-your-money-where-your-meter>

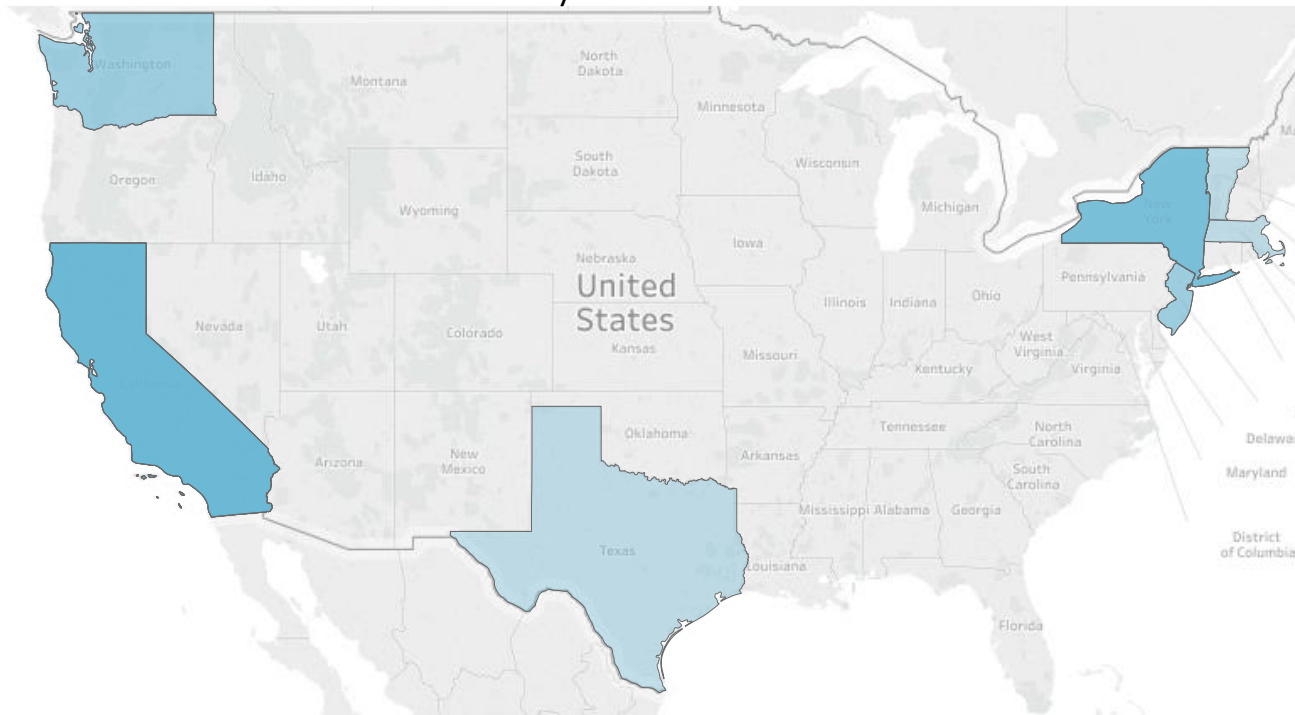


# P4P not new, but little understanding of past experiences and potential upsides and pitfalls

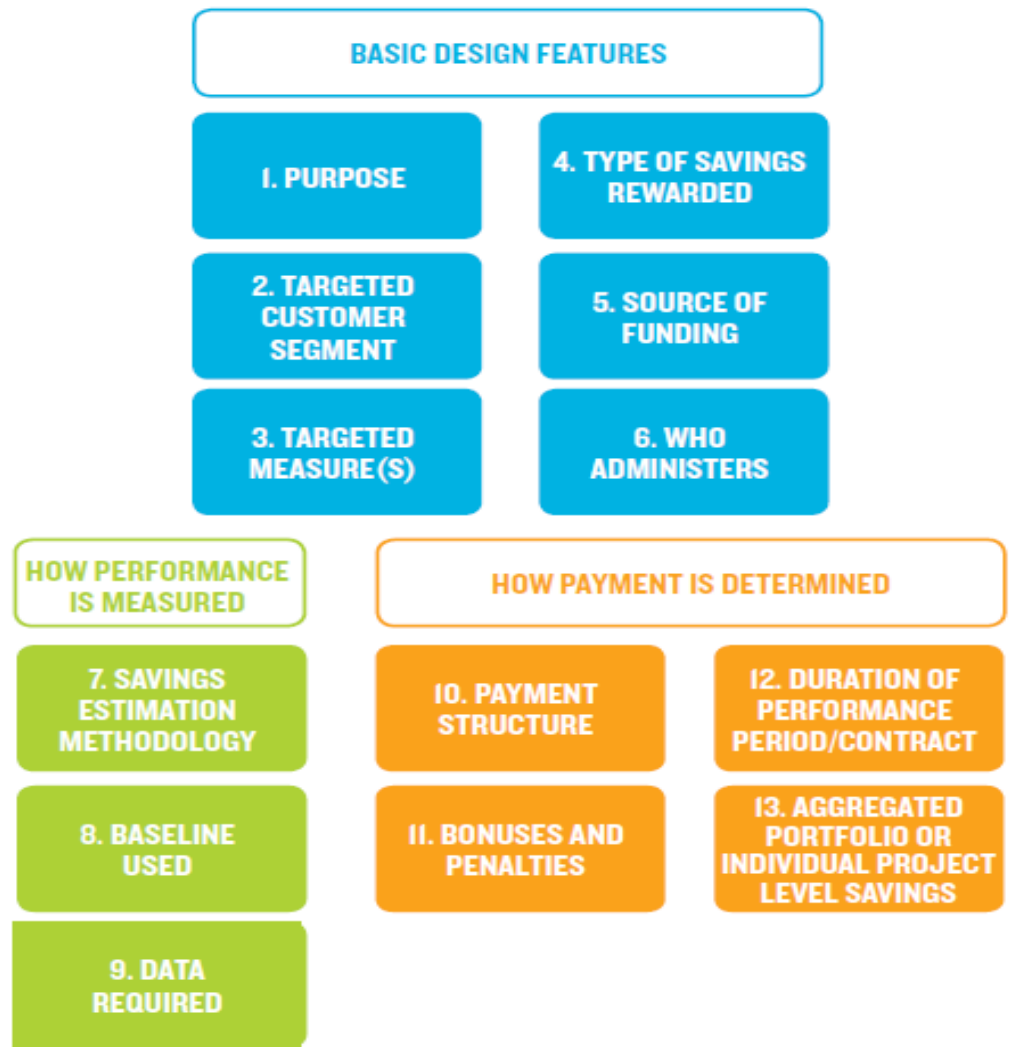
Report analysis of key elements and lessons learned from:

- 21 case studies from late 1980s to present across U.S.
- 24 expert interviews

P4P Case Study Locations Across the US



# Analysis of Case Studies through P4P Taxonomy Framework



# Basic Design Features – *Findings from Case Studies*

## Program motivation:

- Determines the M&V, EE measures, payment structure

## Targeted sector:

- Almost all commercial sector, some industrial, few examples in residential

## Targeted measures:

- First gen programs mainly lighting, newer programs have multiple measures including operational/behavioral savings.

# Basic Design Features – *Recommendations*

Avoid “cream-skimming” and encourage deeper savings:

- Minimum savings requirements
- Tiered incentives
- Requirements for multiple measures

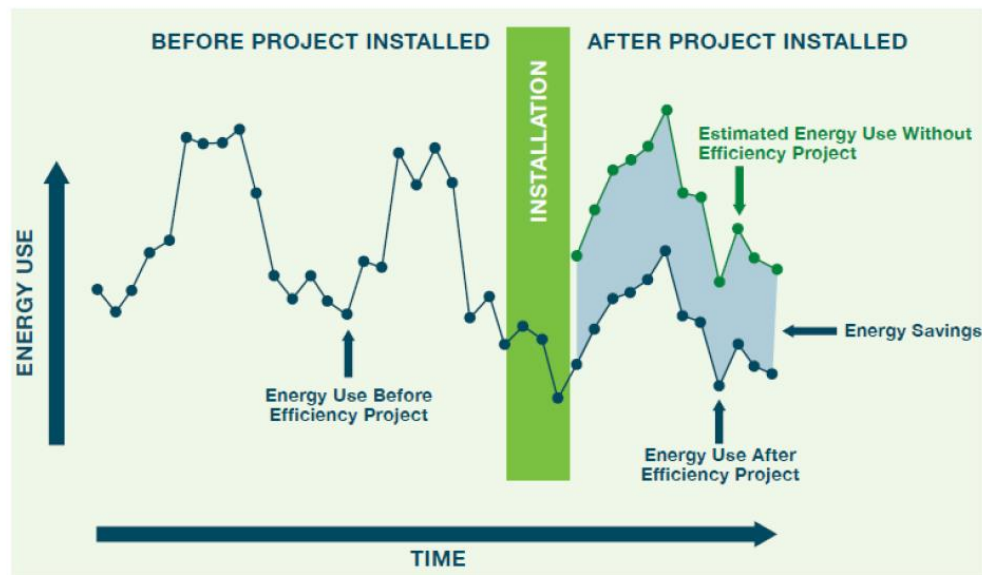


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# How Performance Is Measured – *Findings from Case Studies*

## Range of Savings Estimation Methods:

- 7 of 21 cases used normalized meter/bill data to estimate savings, enabling multi-measure retrofits and operational savings
- Even with best models, some buildings are difficult to predict



State and Local Energy Efficiency Action Network. 2012.

# How Performance is Measured – *Recommendations*

## To improve accuracy and certainty of savings estimates:

- Screen out unpredictable buildings
- Estimate for a portfolio of buildings
- Have a backup savings estimation methodology

## To streamline M&V and reduce costs:

- Performance metrics to compare savings models
- Standardize and agree in advance on methods and data





# How Payment is Determined – *Findings from Case Studies*

## Incentive Structure:

- Most programs had payments for milestones (installation) and savings performance (\$/kWh saved).

## Bonuses/Penalties:

- High penalties for programs relying on EE to replace infrastructure; programs with bonuses for higher savings had fewer lighting-only measures.



## Duration of Payments:

- Wide range of performance periods from 1 year to 25 years

# How Payment is Determined - *Recommendations*

## Mitigate performance risk for customers, implementers, utilities

- Milestones for installation alongside performance incentives
- Quality standards and insurance for EE projects
- Diversified portfolio of buildings

## Regular feedback and visibility of savings trajectory



## Consider tradeoffs of payment duration

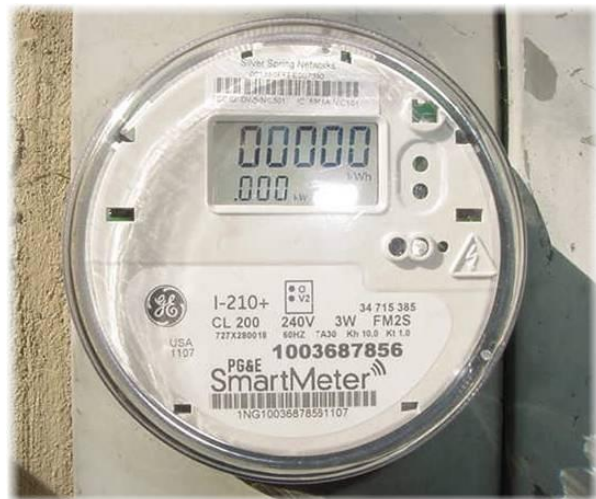
- Longer periods motivate persistence but prolong risk exposure

# Overall Policy Considerations - *Potential P4P Applications*

## P4P can leverage access to smart meters and improved analytics (M&V 2.0):

- savings from a wider range of EE projects, especially complex, interactive, multi-measure, whole-building efficiency projects

## P4P can deliver efficiency as a verified energy or capacity resource



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## Overall Policy Considerations - *Potential P4P Limitations*

- Not one-size-fits-all approach, especially with unpredictable buildings
- Most programs in commercial sector, less experience in residential, low-income, small business
- If implemented alongside other EE programs, avoid double-dipping incentives or double-counting savings



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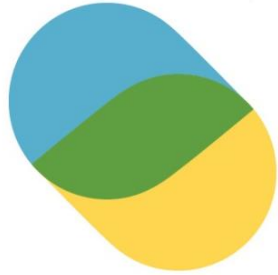
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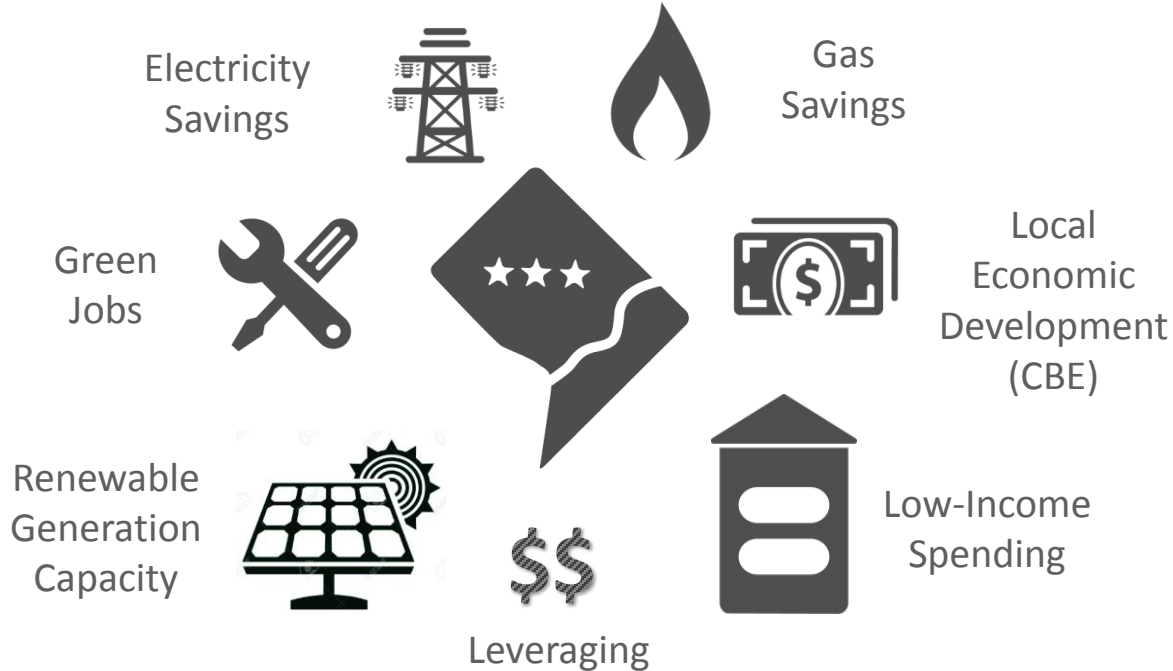
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**Pay for Performance in the  
District of Columbia  
(Update)**

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# The DC Sustainable Energy Utility

## DCSEU





# DCSEU P4P Timeline/History

FY	Activities
FY 17 – 18	Developed Internal pilot/plan, obtained approval
FY 19	Developed the market: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 Preferred Partners enrolled</li><li>• 3 projects closed</li><li>• 20 projects underway!</li><li>• End of year Market Transformation effort</li></ul>
FY20 – 21	Develop pipeline and close projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DC Building Energy Performance Standard (BEPS)</li><li>• Develop baselines for newest projects</li><li>• Enroll additional Preferred Partners</li></ul>

# Lessons Learned

- ▶ Vendors –
  - Traditional vs. P4P (applicability of their solution)
  - Complementary solutions– EMIS & energy audits
- ▶ Customers –
  - Communication
  - Expectations on required information
  - Multiple simultaneous efforts – regression analysis segmentation
- ▶ Internal –
  - Ramp up of data analysis capability

# Thank you!

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# NYSERDA's Pay for Performance Pilots



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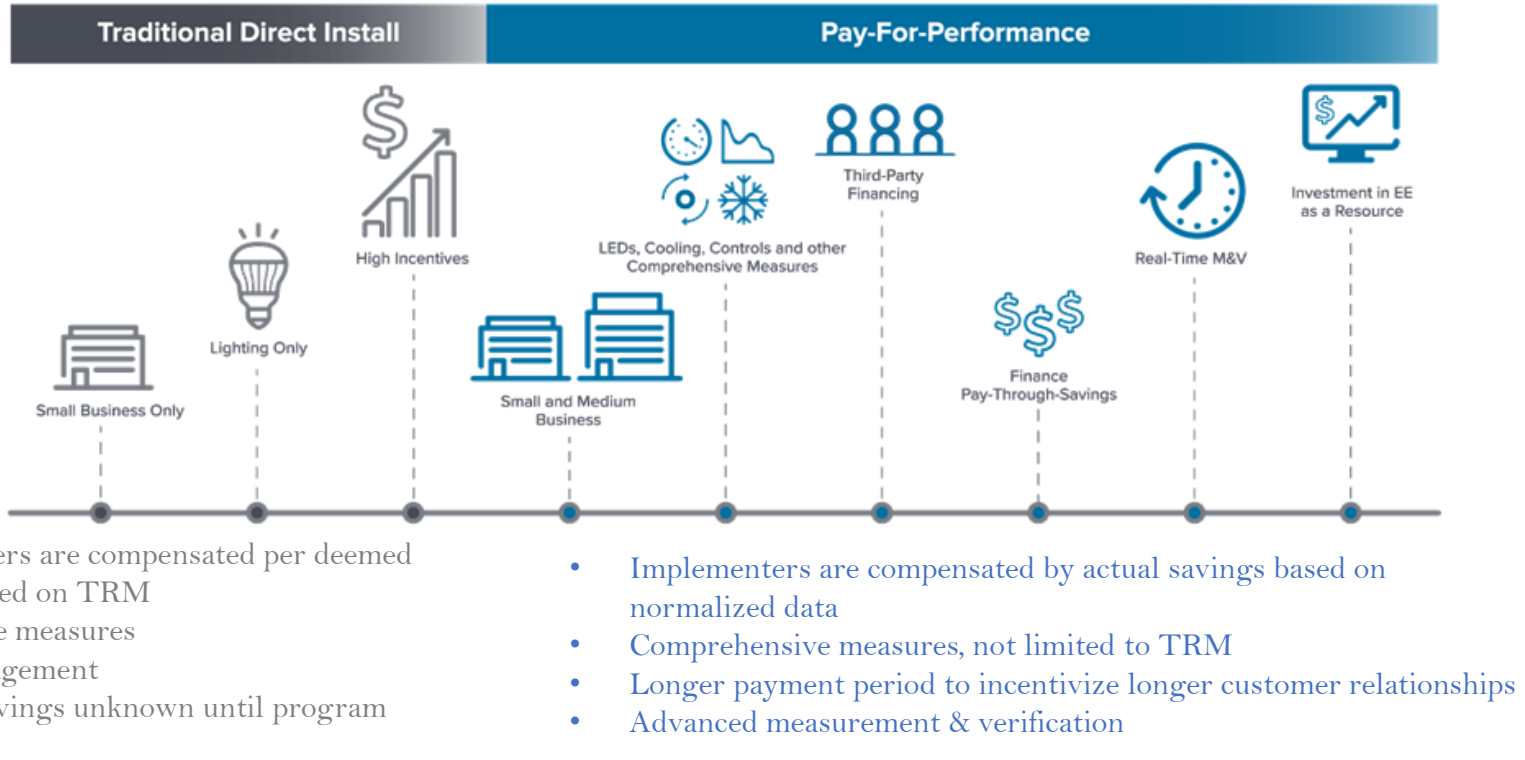
# NYSERDA Pilot Approach

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- Issuing RFPs on an annual cycle during the 2019-2021 timeframe for a total of *three phases*
- NYSERDA is budgeting *\$56 million* over the course of the three phases
- Savings will be measured using the *CalTRACK methodology* via the Recurve platform.
- Phases will seek to *scale the model* into other sectors and/or geographies
- Ultimate goal is to *prove the cost effectiveness* of the approach and *hand-off the initiative* to utilities for longer term adoption

# Pay for Performance Evolution



# Con Edison Business Energy Pro: Commercial P4P Phase 1 Design & Approach

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<b>Geography</b>	Staten Island and Westchester
<b>Sector</b>	Small/medium business; Service classes 2 and 9 (<300kW)
<b>Utility Data</b>	Advanced metering infrastructure and Green Button will be utilized
<b>Payments</b>	Quarterly for a duration of 3 years; based on normalized metered data plus x2 gas kicker payment during Jan/Feb)
<b>Measures</b>	Measure agnostic; multiple measure packages preferred
<b>Bidding</b>	Levelized bid ceiling of \$12/MMBtu
<b>Funding</b>	Approximately \$10 million available to Portfolio Managers
<b>Program Overlap</b>	Participating customers may not access utility, NYSERDA, or other publicly-funded incentives for the measures installed through the P4P Pilot

# National Grid Home Energy Saving: Residential P4P Phase 1 Design & Approach

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<b>Geography</b>	<b>Onondaga, Oneida, or Oswego counties</b>
<b>Sector</b>	Single-family (1-4 units) residential; Standard Service Rate SC-1
<b>Utility Data</b>	National Grid will transfer monthly gas and electric data to the AMV Platform
<b>Payments</b>	Quarterly for a duration of 3 years; based on normalized metered data
<b>Measures</b>	Measure agnostic; multiple measure packages preferred
<b>Bidding</b>	Levelized bid ceiling of \$14/MMBtu based lifetime savings
<b>Funding</b>	Approximately \$6 million available to Portfolio Managers
<b>Program Overlap</b>	Participating customers may not access utility, NYSERDA, or other publicly-funded incentives for the measures installed through the P4P Pilot



# Pilot Project Package Requirements

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- Multi-measure (bids need to go beyond lighting and lighting controls)
- Reduce baseline electric and/or gas consumption by at least 5% at the meter
- Provide statistical confidence in portfolio results (sufficient number of projects and depth of savings)
- No renewables or energy distortion activities

## LIGHTING



## REFRIGERATION



## HEATING/COOLING



## WINDOW/DOOR

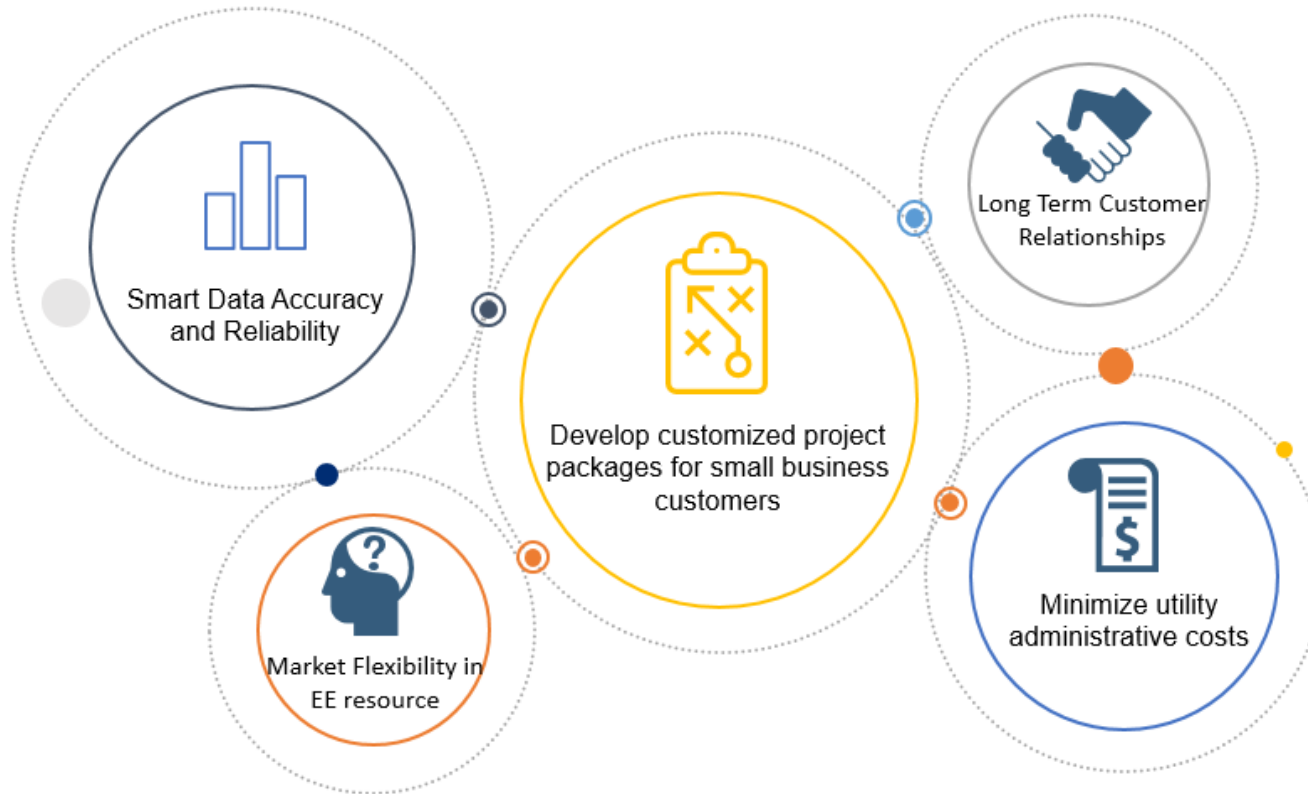


## Behavioral



# Pay for Performance Design Considerations

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# Pay for Performance Design Questions

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- Customers –

- Who will be eligible? Who do we want to target?
- What are mandatory vs. optional requirements for a customer to be eligible? How many eligible customers are needed for a successful pilot? How can we increase the number of eligible customers?

- Portfolio Managers –

- What qualifications does a PM need? How many PMs are needed for a pilot?
- How do we ensure PMs will be able to construct large enough portfolios to ensure statistical confidence in savings?

- Pilot Outcomes –

- What outcomes are we looking to drive? What hypothesis are we looking to test?
- What savings are we specifically looking to obtain, and how would we incentivize them? Do we have the data and technical infrastructure to support this?
- What additional market support do you need to provide? How are you going to evaluate success?

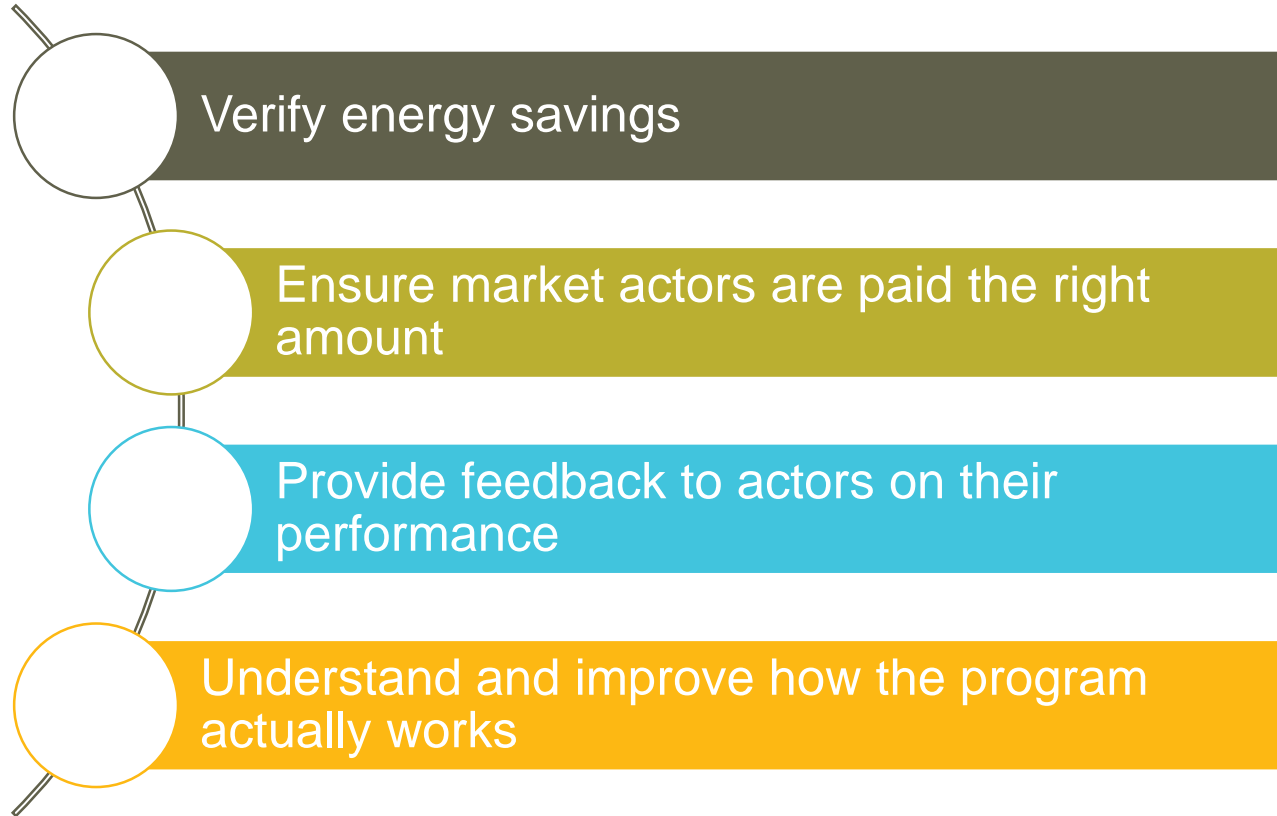
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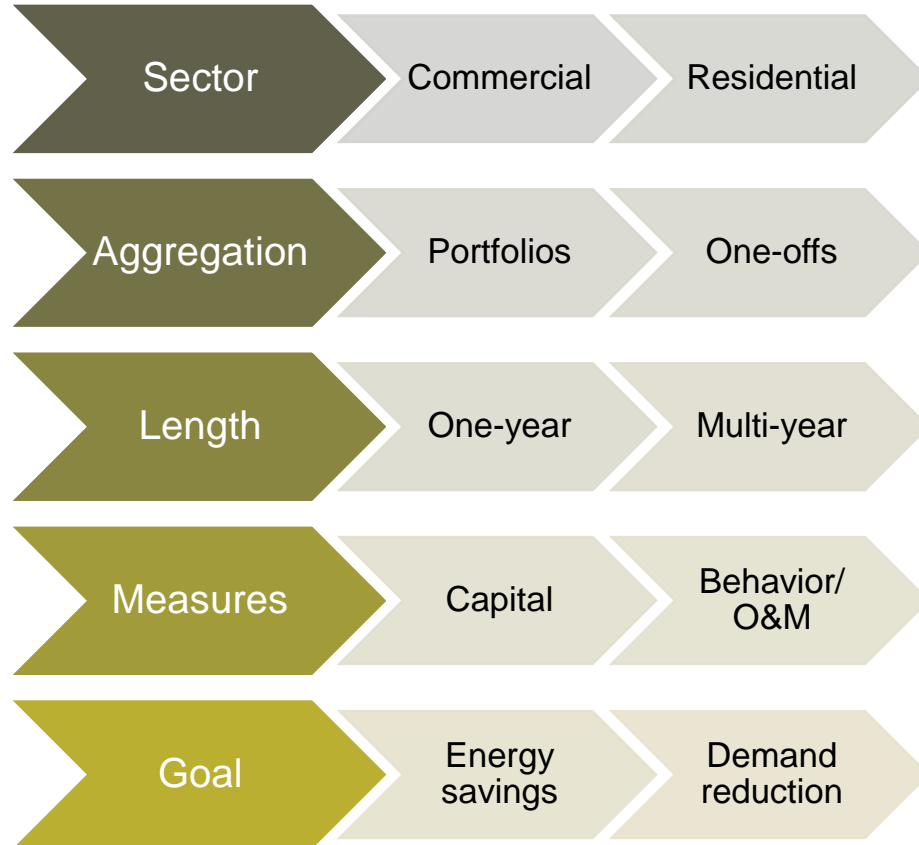


## Evaluation of P4P Programs

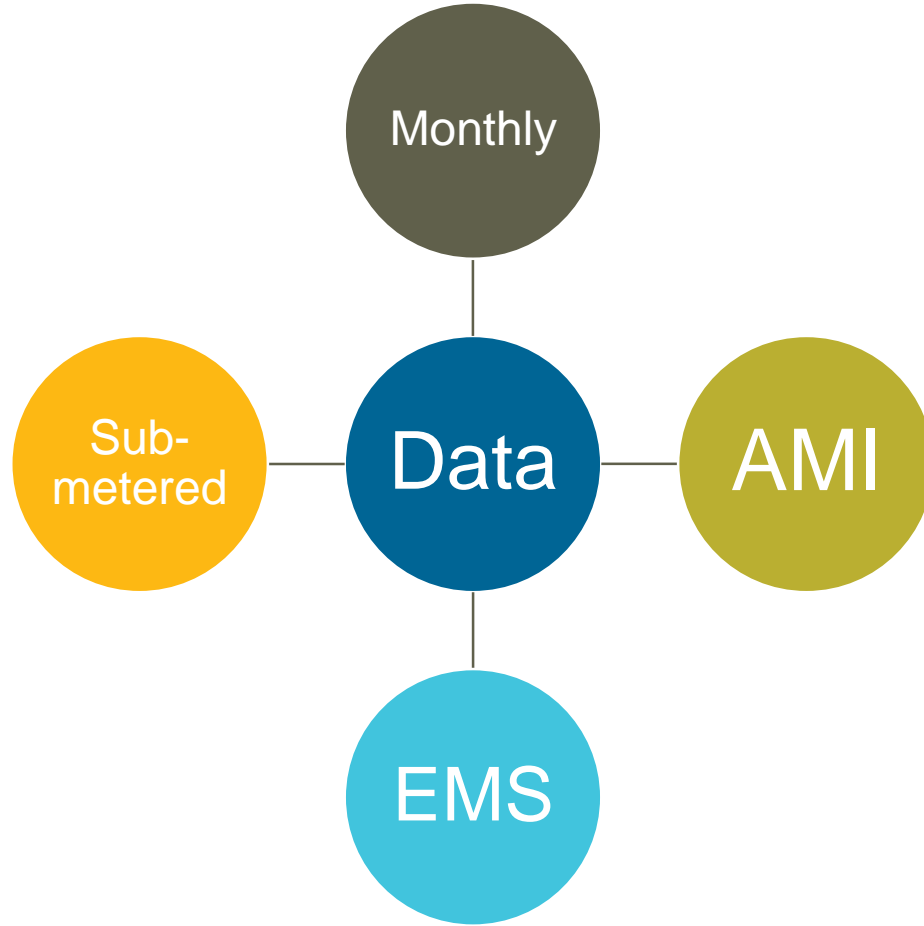
# Goals of P4P Evaluation



# Evaluation Requirements Will Depend On...



# Metered Data





## Qualitative Data

Program  
staff

Aggregators

End-use  
customers

Contractors

Program  
Documents

## Regardless of Program Design

Know what your evaluation needs to accomplish

Get your evaluation methods set in advance

Make sure your methods are understood

Look at process, not just impact



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# Upcoming NEEP Events



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# Poll Question 2





# Thank you!

